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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Griffith D. Neal

Appln. No.: 09/983,002

Filed: October 17, 2001

For: Method of Encapsulating Hard Disc Drive  
and Other Electrical Components

Attorney Docket No: 8864/24

Examiner: Jill Lynne  
Heitbrink

Art Unit: 1732

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Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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**Dear Sir:**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 9, 2004, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.